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The timely submission under 37 CFR 1.129(a) filed on 10/22/03 is not fully responsive to the prior Office action because while Applicants have elected to prosecute Group I, claims 1-4, 7, 11-15, 20-23, 32-37, 45 and 68-72 with traverse, Applicants have not elected a species of Group I. Therefore, Applicants are required to elect a species from the following: a) Form B (claims 1-4, 7, 11); b) Form C (claims 12-15, 20); Form D (claims 21-23, 32). In making this election, the examiner has assumed that claims 2-4 correspond to Form B, claims 13-15 correspond to Form C, and so forth. If this assumption is incorrect, the examiner kindly requests that Applicant place the appropriate claims in the appropriate groupings. See Office Action dated 7/1/03, page 3. Since the submission appears to be a bona fide attempt to provide a complete reply to the prior Office action, applicant is given a shortened statutory period of ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS from the mailing date of this letter, whichever is longer, to submit a complete reply. This shortened statutory period supersedes the time period set in the prior Office action. This time period may be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a). If a notice of appeal and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) were filed prior to or with the payment of the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(r), the payment of the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(r) by applicant is construed as a request to dismiss the appeal and to continue prosecution under 37 CFR 1.129(a). The appeal stands dismissed.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Rachel M. Bennett whose telephone number is (571) 272-0589. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday, 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Thurman K. Page can be reached on (571) 272-0602. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306. Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see <http://pair-direct.uspto.gov>. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free).

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